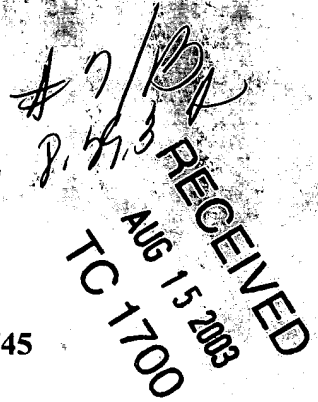




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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION  
AND AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated June 2, 2003, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, encompassing claims 1-7. Applicants traverse the stated restriction, and request reconsideration and withdrawal thereof.